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# Prescott Press



## From our PTO Presidents

The Prescott PTO recently sponsored a family movie night in the school cafeteria. Despicable Me 2 was shown and everyone had a great time. The PTO also sponsored a Rainbow Loom Hope Project for The Hope Factory. The Prescott students joined in and made 50 individual bracelets, and 70 cards and bracelets to be delivered to hospitalized children. The student also made 40 individual Hope Cards. All parents and students should be proud of the Prescott's giving spirit. The Hope Factory also has other opportunities to help provide encouragement and

hope to hospitalized children. Stay tuned.... Upcoming PTO events include several restaurant "Prescott Nights" at Friendly's and the Chateau. The first one is Thursday February 20<sup>th</sup> at Friendly's. No need to make dinner that night, and who doesn't enjoy ice cream??? A fundraiser will be held Launch (Norwood's new trampoline park) on Monday April 21<sup>st</sup> from 4-8 PM. The cost is \$15 per hour and 25% of the proceeds go to the PTO.

The next PTO meeting is scheduled for Tuesday February 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. Mr.

Haffey will be speaking about the Telescope Lending Program and a new pilot program called "Flipped Classrooms". Please try to attend the meeting. It is a great way to keep informed about the happenings at the Prescott both inside and outside of the classroom.

Ellie Brady and Berit Sorenson

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## Prescott School

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### Important Dates

- ☺ February 14th, 100th Day of School, Dress Up Day
- ☺ February 25th PTO 7pm
- ☺ March 5th School Council 3:15
- ☺ March 12, 13 Teacher conferences by request
- ☺ March 17-28 MCAS
- ☺ March 27th 5th Grade Pasta Supper
- ☺ April 11th Family Track Night SHS
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## Enrichment Programs at Prescott



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## From Mrs. Killion

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is hard to believe that February vacation is looming. I hope everyone has a nice vacation. We have been very busy since the beginning of 2014. Teachers have been working very hard with our students to deliver curriculum that is both challenging and engaging for our students. I am excited to tell you I have started a "blog" for parents on curriculum at our school. Each month I will be updating it throughout the month with updates on curriculum in our school. You can find it online @prescottparents@blogspot.com

I would love suggestions for future topics that may be of interest for you on the blog. You may email me or leave comments on the bottom of the page.

The enrichment clubs are up and running. We have an assortment of clubs this year, legos, cooking, crafts, theatre, gym games, video, and 3D art. The students seem to be enjoying the clubs so far. Thank you to Berit Sorenson, Carolyn Keefe, and Kim Federico our parents who are running clubs!

There have been no volunteers to take over the Prescott Press. I am

not sure if there really is a need anymore for the press considering a lot of information goes out to parents digitally now through email, the web page and now my blog. I plan on continuing the "Principal Newsletter" but if the Press is to continue it should be PTO driven. Let me know your thoughts on this. Don't forget to check out our photo gallery on the web, I will be posting the 3rd grade "Wax Museum" photos and more! Also videos are posted under the "Principal's Message" under "Mrs. Killion's Video Collection". If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me!

## Food Pantry Collection!

Thank you to everyone who has made our food pantry collection such a success this year. Most grades have reached the goal of 100 items per grade and will get an extra recess when the weather gets better. As the PTO stated we have a very generous community here at the Prescott and appreciate your support.



## All School Book Read, Ruby Holler

The whole school has been reading the book "Ruby Holler" by Sharon Creech. For the younger students the book is being read aloud. This is also true for the older students but they are able to follow along in their books. We are planning a showcase of student work about the book after the school vacation. We will let you know when it will be if you want to try and

stop by!



# Enrichment at the Prescott

ENRICHMENT REPORT by Maria Brewer & Regina Sisk

In November, Prescott Enrichment welcomed Carol Cohen's interactive **Now Voyager\*** program for our 3rd and 4th graders. The students had fun exploring core curriculum geography lessons on New England and The United States through the use "hands on" maps and games.

In January, author **Gregory Mone\*** came to introduce story writing and revising techniques to the 3rd graders and provided in-depth classroom writing workshops for our 4th and 5th graders. Signed books for those who ordered will be delivered soon.

This month we were excited to host educators for two days from **The New England Aquarium\***. All grades participated in these science based interactive programs. The 1st and 2nd graders learned about the habitats, behaviors and scientific studies of penguins. The 3rd, 4th and 5th graders learned about various shark species and their unique senses using "hands on" exhibits.

Next month **Ms. Money's Coins for Kids** interactive financial program will be held for the 1st and 2nd graders. The Coins for Kids program will introduce basic fiscal concepts of saving, spending and sharing.

Finally, a special **Kites for Kids\*** program will visit our school in April to get all our kids excited about using math, science and art to create handmade aviation! It should be a great way for our kids to have a school-wide celebration of Spring!

\*These enrichment programs were supported in part by grants from the Norwood Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.



Mrs. Pagliuca's class answered the writing prompt, "if I could ask Martin Luther King a question I would ask..."



What was it like to have friends not play with you because you were black?



How did you feel when you couldn't go to school?



What was your favorite part of your childhood?



Did you like giving speeches to all the people?



Did you feel making no one equal?



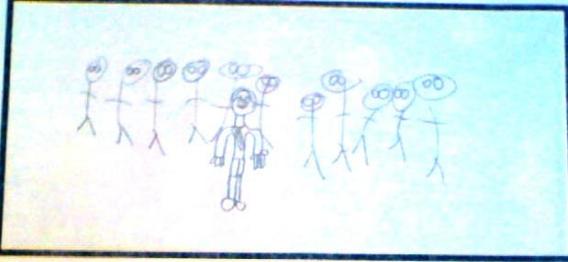
How did you feel when you saw "Whites only" signs?



How did you like getting the Noble Peace Prize?



Did you give speeches in a lot of cities?



What did it feel like to lead 200,000 black and white people down to Washington D.C.?



Did you like being a leader?

If I could ask Martin Luther King Jr. a question I would ask...



How did you feel helping your country?



Were you nervous when you gave your "I have a dream" speech in front of all those people?



Did you like giving speeches to all the people?



How did you feel when you couldn't play with your friends anymore?



Was it hard being a great leader?



Did you get mad because people treated others differently?

Luther King Jr. a question I would ask...



Did you always want to be a leader?



How did it feel when you brought all the people in the world together to live in peace?



Did you like being a pastor?



Martin Luther King Jr, what was it like to preach in front of soooo many people?



What year did you get married? Do you have any children?



How did you feel making your "I have a dream" speech?

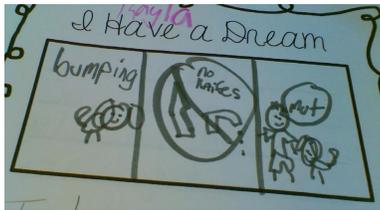
Ms. Shanahan's class wrote about their dreams for America



I have dreams that people would never die from guns. There would be danger in the world. People would not get sick or hurt. *Jack S*



I have a dream that I will be a great football player. I will go to the Super Bowl and win. I will be the greatest player on the team. *Jayven*



I have a dream my Dad will call my dog Bella. My dog will stop going crazy and she will stop going into walls so she will stop getting hurt. *Kayla*



My dream is that everybody will be friends and this world would be the best. *Dylan D.*



I have a dream that everyone is best with some one. I wish it did not say "white only", it should say everyone or it doesn't need to say it. *Kevin*



I have a dream that everyone would recycle a lot more. That would make the earth cleaner. It would give more space to plant trees and other plants. I have a dream that one day there will be less trash and more trees and they will be more playgrounds to play in. *Saanvi*



I have a dream that I will be a famous football player. I can teach my friend how. That everyone in the whole world will not push, shove and hurt someone in football. *Anthony*



I have a dream that nobody will pollute the Earth. Don't throw anything in the lake because animals may eat it and die. Instead or riding in a car, walk to school. *Hruday*



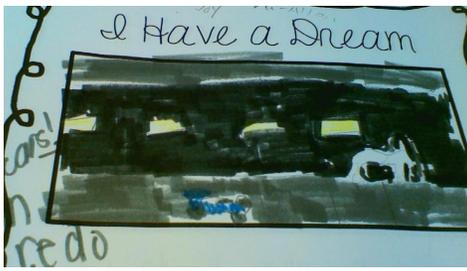
I have a dream that there will not be a lot of litter around and everyone is happy. *Ryan S*



I have a dream that I will teach kids to ride an electric scooter so they won't get laughed at. *Madison C*



I have a dream that I will learn how to jump on my pogo stick. I will teach all my friends how to pogo stick. *Mairead*



I have a dream that we should stop polluting and make our earth a better place. I want things to still be made and homes to still be warmed. I don't want for anybody to be harmed. I wish someone will find a way someday. The earth will be a better place this way. Joy



I have a dream that every one should be friends with everyone. I think that every-one should never be friendless and lonely. Everyone should be friends no matter what.

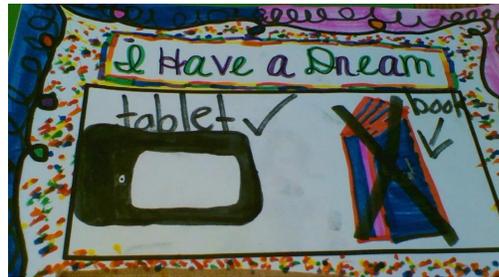
Aayushi



I have a dream that people will stand up for other people because it will make the world a better



I have a dream that everyone will stop littering that is hurting the earth a lot. And sometimes I pick up the trash on the floor just because I want to help the earth. Plus I help the earth live because I am a sweet girl. Tanaj



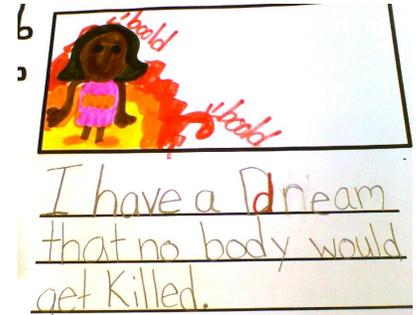
I have a dream that instead of books we have tablets! Because people have to lug around books and it will be a lot lighter if we have tablets.

Molly



I have a dream that the school would be much more cleaner than and place in the world. So people don't have to clean up messes.

Andrew



**Students in Mrs. Bell's class wrote about how they would change the world in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Some spelling has been corrected for the Press and some errors were kept**



If I could change the world I would stop the wars so no one gets hart. Its also inporntin because people have familys and so kids have dads and moms. And so people don't die. People would be happier with no more wars. Life would be safer and nicer.



If I could change the world I would stop bullying and if you are getting bullied when you are a kid or teenager that would not be nice. I would do that because people do not like to be bullied in their community.



If I could change the world I would want to stop violence. So no one will get hurt. And so no one will die. I want to take

away weapons. Less people will get hurt. We will have more people in the world. It will be more safe. No one will get kidnapped. Stuff will not get stolen, only the army and the Skwot and the FBI and the police should have weapons. Because they help us. And they fight for us. They make the world more safe. So we will have no violence. Well they try to stop the violence.



If I could change the world I would stop the planet from having war and set peace throwout the galaxy. To do that I would go into the next world war and say to the leader of the other team

that the army and I don't want to fight his army. I would keep on saying this to every country leader. Until I said it to every leader of the army that I could say it to. But if I couldn't talk to all of the different country's on the planet I would send someone else I now as a friend to say the same thing to the rest of the leaders. I just hope that my plan works.



If I could change the world I would help people. And make people stop fighting if they are fighting. And if I

see in the news that their arguments. I will tell the people who are arguing to stop arguing. And if they are still arguing I will tell them to stop arguing. If they are using weapons I will make a big annoncment to stop using weapons.

If I could change the world I would make sure no one will litter. I would do it because people in our community would not like our community to be a destroyed place. I would make



sure there is no pollution. I would do that because pollution could destroy animals habitats and could kill animals. And it would kill plants wich would not give us vegetables wich we could die if we do not eat or have. I would make sure people will not put trash in the water. Animals could get caught in the trash that people put. This is how they can die. They could get caught by trash then the water could bring the animal on the shore. And that is how they could die.



If I could change the world I would make sure land is not polluted. If it was polluted animals would not have a lot of homes. And if

there was trash on the ground trash would be everywhere and when it rains the trash can go into lakes, rivers, and sometimes it can go to the ocean. Some of the trash floats on water can be called floatables, and a boat cleans the trash up so it wouldn't pollute the water.



If I could change the world I would try to make all sisters and brothers get along. And I would make sure older siblings include younger

siblings. And make sure all the kids do not fight over toys. Make sure the siblings do not fight and say mean stuff too. And help their siblings. And older sisters and brothers don't fight over the car.



If I could change the world I would get rid of guns because it could kill people. You will go to jail for it. It is a very bad thing to do to people



If I could change the world I would make people stop driving cars. Because when people drive cars carbon dioxide goes into the air and traps the sun's rays on

earth. It is called global warming. And polar bears might die because it will be too hot. And there is another reason I don't want people to drive cars, it also affects us breathing, because if too much carbon dioxide gets in the air all the people in the world will die because there won't be any more air left to breathe. There will only be carbon dioxide and there won't be enough trees to eat up all the carbon dioxide. And all the animals in the ocean will die too because carbon dioxide will get in the water and all the animals that live in the water will get sick and die because the water will get too dirty. And since there will be so much carbon dioxide in the air dolphins, whales, and other animals that breathe air. So I'm basically saying almost everything alive on earth will die. Because mostly everything alive on earth breathes air. I don't really want people to stop driving cars, I just want people to drive cars once a day or twice a day or when you're driving somewhere far away from your house or drive electric cars or something. Other than that I want people to just walk. Plus walking gives you exercise.



If I could change the world I would never let children die of hunger. I would have a group called The Life Savers. People would be proud of me. I would be famous. And another place that my ancestors lived there are tons of kids that are dying in hunger everywhere and every day. I will go there and give the children food and will never die in hunger again, never I tell you



If I could change the world I would say we shouldn't have bullies because bullies are mean. Some kids, teenagers and adults but mostly teenagers and some little kids get bullied from some other kids. I don't think that is right because people can get sad. Because of that and I think that is mean. I see sometimes when I'm either at a restaurant, at play camp and at the playground. I see it, for an example I see sometimes people and kids say "Oh you're a little crybaby" and in like a grumpy/funny voice and see them pushing each other. I think that isn't right so I'm doing this because of Martin Luther King Jr. so please just go say to the person just don't bully. So no more bullying please.



If I could change the world I would stop drugs. I would do this by making the bad drug stores shut down and because they can kill you badly. And they can get you in jail.



If I could change the world I would want Martin Luther King to still be alive for the racism. And make an announcement saying that everyone should be friends. No matter what your skin color is you can still be friends to everyone even if your black or white. I'm friends with black people.



If I could change the world I would let the world now I don't want anybody hurting someone. I don't want anybody doing that because I don't want anybody getting hurt. If they don't listen I would make it a law. If they don't follow the law I would arrest them. I want the world to be nice and healthy. I want people to be healthy and safe. I don't want people to drink or to smoke



If I could change the world I would create a holiday and I will open a place where people can celebrate the fun holiday. That means choose if your family can celebrate the holiday or not. I will tell them what it is about and how to celebrate it. Not everyone has to go to the place I opened. Because the mail truck could come with letters from people that want to celebrate the holiday or not. I bet most people will say yes because I tell them what it is about first then they decide if they are interested in it.



If I could change the world I would help people take better care of their pets. Only if they have a pet. So that means I would walk the dog, feed the dog and stuff like that. So what I'm saying is I would do things for the dog that makes it healthy. So the dog could live for a long time. Only on the days that they need me.



If I could change the world I would want you to respect old people. Don't go herting them. If you do you will get in big trubol. You will go to jail and you would to the judge and that will be bad. Don't hert old people in nersing homes they are rele sick. And you don't want to hert some ones father or mother. And old people are rele nice.

If I could make the world a better place we would all celebrate the differences in each other every day!



If I could change the world I would live in the White House. Every day somebody else would live in the White House. I would let everybody get a tour around the house. Somebody would get to be picked to live in the White House that day.

When you are in the White House. When you find something that you think your not suppose to touch and it looks really cool you don't have to ask you can just touch it.

### Norwood Fire Safety Program Comes to Prescott

Firefighter Paul Ronco came to all classrooms at the Prescott and presented an hour long program to our students on fire safety at home and in school. He went over the protocols for using 911, having a family meeting place in case of a fire, and what to do if your clothes caught fire. At the end of each presentation he dressed in the fire fighters gear and explained each piece to the students. Thanks to Paul for coming and Norwood Fire Department for sponsoring this program.



If I could change the world I will join the army so I will fight bad people to help others and save people. I'll save others and protect the earth. I'll risk my life to save people so they will be protected. I'll help by stoping people from stealing things and bad people killing other people. I'll stop people that are killing people in different countrys. I'll stop Spanish people from killing other Spanish people and put all bad people in prison.

